# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE
# LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4203
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Drought Relief
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**Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE be pleased to state:**

(a) whether an amount of Rs. 1193 crore was sanctioned for relief activities due to drought in Rajasthan as against the demand of Rs. 10,537 crore and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether no funds was sanctioned by the Government for cattle conservation against the total demand of Rs.1043.69 crore by Rajasthan Government for cattle conservation activities as 1.69 crore out of total 5.77 crore livestock were severely affected;

(c) if so, whether the Government is considering to release a sum of Rs. 1043.69 crore from NDRF as assistance for cattle conservation in the State; and

(d) if so, the details thereof along with the time by which the said amount is likely to be sanctioned and released?

## Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

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(a): The State Government of Rajasthan submitted a Memorandum for drought during Kharif -2015 seeking financial assistance of Rs.10537.02 crores from National Disaster Response Fund (NDRF). Central assistance of Rs.1193.41 crores was approved by the High Level Committee (HLC) as per extant SDRF/NDRF norms.

(b) to (d): The High Level Committee (HLC) discussed the claim of the State Government regarding projected cost of fodder, transportation etc. for milch animals and felt that this may be considered as per norms and guidelines on actual basis, separately. Accordingly, Government of Rajasthan submitted a proposal on 31.01.2017 for reimbursement of Rs.211.34 crores from NDRF for Animal Husbandry Sector which is under consideration.

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